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An Interview with Wayne Arnold

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**Biographical Information Overview of Interview:** Wayne Arnold was born in Mount Vernon, Illinois in 1932. He graduated from Sesser High School (Sesser, Illinois) and later earned an Associates degree from Centralia Junior College and a BS and MS degree from Southern Illinois University through Rend Lake College. He started his teaching career at Dahlgren High School, teaching there for three years. He joined the faculty of Mount Vernon High School where he operated the school's Community College program. When the campus was relocated and named Rend Lake College shortly after the passage of the Illinois Junior College Act of 1965, he joined the staff as a teacher in the Department of Health and Physical Education. In honor of his many years of service, the fitness center at Rend Lake College is now named after him. Wayne covers the transfer of the Junior College from Mount Vernon to Rend Lake in the interview.

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